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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Division 2

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Governor McCrory Appoints Nick Tennyson Secretary of Transportation



In early August, Governor Pat McCrory announced the appointment of Nick Tennyson as the new Secretary of the North

Nick Tennyson is sworn in as Secretary of Transportation

Carolina Department of Transportation. Tennyson has served as Chief Deputy Secretary since March 2013, and succeeds Tony Tata.

"Nick Tennyson is the perfect choice to continue the momentum we have made in North Carolina's transportation strategy," said Governor McCrory. "He has been involved in planning all of our key transportation strategies over the last two and half years, and is equipped to hit the ground running to continue our progress."

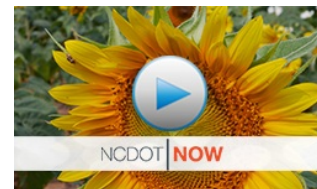
Secretary Tennyson and the NCDOT team will continue to focus on expanding and safely maintaining our transportation network through the Governor's 25 Year Vision, support new funding strategies including the bonds to Connect NC, strengthen our ports to make our state more globally competitive and deliver other infrastructure projects to help grow the state's economy and create jobs. [Read More Here](#)

U.S. 70 Bus/U.S. 258 Bus/N.C. 58/Queen Street Update

The project is underway in Kinston on U.S. 70 Bus/U.S. 258 Bus/NC 58 (Queen Street). The contract was awarded to Thalle Construction out of Hillsborough, for approximately \$11.5M to replace the twin bridges spanning both the Neuse River and Overflow.

The current bridges were constructed in 1953, with

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portions of southbound structures dating from 1928. In 1953, both bridges were widened.

Queen Street was closed in the vicinity of the new project on August 3. The contractor has 285 days to reopen the street to traffic, with one lane in each direction. The final completion date of all construction work is scheduled for August 2016. The new bridges will provide safe, modern crossing for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists. The traffic is being detoured off-site around the work zone, while ensuring that local businesses remain open and accessible to the traveling public.

Division 2 Board Member

Major General Hugh R. Overholt (USA Ret.)

General Overholt was born in Beebe, Arkansas. He attended College of the Ozarks and the University of Arkansas. He was awarded a Bachelor of Arts Degree and Juris Doctor from the University of Arkansas where he served on the Editorial Board of the Law Review. Upon completion of his law studies, he received an appointment as a First Lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General's Corps.



General Overholt

General Overholt's military schooling includes the JAGC Basic and Advanced Courses, Airborne School, Command and General Staff College and the National Defense University.

While on active duty, General Overholt served in a variety of assignments. He was an Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, United States Army Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Chafee Arkansas; United States Army Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Alabama; Seventh United States Army Support Command, Europe; and Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. The Staff Judge Advocate, Seventh Infantry Division, Korea. General Overholt was the Director of the Academic Department and Chief of the Criminal Law Division of the Judge Advocate General's School, Charlottesville, Virginia; Chief Personnel Plan and Training Office, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Headquarters Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. As Colonel, he served as Staff Judge Advocate, XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Special Assistant for Legal and Selected Policy Matters, Office of the Assistant Secretary Defense (Manpower Reserve Affairs and Logistics), Washington, D.C. Following his promotion to Brigadier General, General Overholt served as Assistant Judge Advocate for Military Law. In 1981, he was appointed Assistant Judge Advocate General, and in

1985, he was named The Judge Advocate General.

General Overholt has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit, Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster), and the Army Commendation Medal (Two Oak Leaf Clusters).

General Overholt is a Member of the Arkansas Bar, North Carolina Bar, District of Columbia Bar and a Member of the American Bar Association.

In his capacity as Board Member for NCDOT's Division 2, Overholt is proud of the people he works with.

"There is not a day that goes by that I do not feel honored and privileged to work with so many committed and capable people as I do with Division Two," said Overholt. "When it comes to maintaining and improving our roads and bridges in North Carolina, the folks at Division 2 exemplify the best in each and every one of their professions."

General Overholt is married to the former Laura Annell (Ann) Arnold of Blakely, Georgia. The Overholts have two children, Sharon and Scott.

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